## JUSTIFICATION FOR OTHER THAN FULL AND OPEN COMPETITION OVER \$100,000

- This document is a justification for other than full and open competition prepared by the NASA, John F. Kennedy Space Center.
- 2. The nature and/or description of the action being approved:

This justification provides the rationale for contracting with Canberra Industries, Inc. by other than full and open competition for the acquisition of Environmental Continuous Air Monitor (ECAM) Systems Service Maintenance Support.

3. Description of the services required (including the estimated value):

Services: Provide basic maintenance services to ECAM equipment currently owned from vendor. The estimated value is and the period of performance is from contract award date through one year.

4. Statutory authority permitting other than full and open competition:

Only one responsible source and no other supplies or services will satisfy agency requirements under the authority of 10 U.S.C.2304(c)(1). Pursuant to FAR 13.106-1(b) and 13.106-3(b)(3)(i), this acquisition of services is deemed to be reasonable available from only one source. Only commercial services will be procured and the complexity of the requirement itself is not difficult.

5. A demonstration that the proposed contractor's unique qualifications or the nature of the acquisition requires use of the authority cited:

Canberra Industries, Inc. currently has a maintenance service contract for one (1) of the E-CAMS owned by NASA and has satisfactorily conducted the maintenance. This requirement is for maintenance on fourteen (14) of the units presently own by NASA and for maintenance on15 new units recently purchased from the vendor. Monitoring units must be able to communicate with the master control site at the Radiological Control Center. The proprietary Canberra Industries, Inc. ECAM RadHawk software enables communication with the monitoring unit and a graphical user interface for querying each of the systems individually and displaying overall status of the network. This software has also been further customized by the vendor to enable communications and data transfer with the US Department of Energy radiological monitoring database system that would be the primary source of radiological information for health and safety decision-making in the event of a launch area accident. Purchase of maintenance support services from competing system vendors would not be practical and would directly impact ability to meet launch readiness dates.

6. Description of the efforts made to ensure that offers are solicited from as many potential sources as practicable:

The requirement will be synopsized in FedBizOpps and the results will be noted and addressed in the procurement file. The Consolidated Contracting Initiative Home Page will be reviewed and the results noted in the Procurement file.

7. Determination by the Contracting Officer that the anticipated cost to the Government will be fair and reasonable:

The Contracting Officer will perform a price analysis and will receive an Independent Government Estimate.

8. Description of the market survey conducted and the results, or a statement of the reasons a market survey was not conducted:

The market survey done by internet and vendor queries indicates no equivalent system support capability is available from any other vendor. Choosing another vendor would introduce unacceptable delays in terms of time and testing to ensure systems would be ready to support mission readiness. Using another vendor to perform this support would introduce unacceptable risk that may lead to mission failure or undue public safety issues.

- 9. Other facts supporting the use of other than full and open competition, such as:
  - System validation & verification require use of proprietary software and detailed system knowledge is necessary to successfully complete system checkout
  - Prior procurement action indicated no comparable system support available.
- 10. A listing of sources, if any, that expressed in writing an interest in the acquisition:

Any interest shown by other vendors will be evaluated and noted in the file. If it is evident that another vendor may meet the requirement, consideration will be given to data provided.

11. A statement of the actions, if any, the Agency may take to remove or overcome any barriers to competition before any subsequent acquisition for the supplies or services required:

None; this instrument is an extremely specialized, low-demand article running proprietary software.

## Justification for Other than Full and Open Competition for Environmental Continuous Air Monitor (ECAM) systems Technical Support

## **Technical Point of Contact:**

I certify that this justification is accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.

KSC Radiation Protection Officer

Contracting Officer:

I certify that this justification is accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.

**Contracting Officer**